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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Mülleider et al.

Serial No. : 09/244,323 Examiner : L. Tentoni

Filed : February 3, 1999 Group Art Unit : 1732

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

1.  Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
2.  A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
3.  No additional fee is required.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

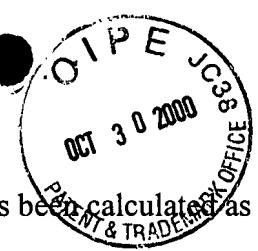
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The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims remaining after amendt. (Col. 1)	Highest No. Prev. Paid for (Col. 2)	Present extra (Col. 3)	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>			<u>OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY</u>		
			RATE	FEE	or	RATE		FEE
Total *	Minus **	=	0	x 9 =		or	x 18 =	\$0
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4.(a)[X] An Extension of Time to respond to the PTO communication dated May 8, 2000 is hereby requested. The required fee, indicated below, is enclosed herewith.

Extension for response (check only one):

	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>	<u>OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY</u>
Within first month	[ ] \$ 55	[ ] \$ 110
Within second month	[ ] 195	[ ] 390
Within third month	[ ] 445	[X] 890
Within fourth month	[ ] 695	[ ] 1,390

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

[ ] An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$.

or

(b)[ ] In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

5. [ ] Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-4377 in the amount of \$. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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6. [X] A check in the amount of \$890.00 is attached.

7. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 37 CFR 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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